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### **TRANSPORTATION FUNDS COMING TO LIVINGSTON COUNTY**

*Legislators Announce Opportunity to Job Seekers*

LANSING – The Livingston County Michigan Works! Agency has been awarded funding to make it easier for residents who use public transportation to commute to interviews, training, and jobs. The \$21,875 grant is part of the Michigan Department of Career Development's Transportation to Work program.

"Many families depend upon the services provided by the Livingston County Michigan Works! Agency," said Sen. Valde Garcia (R-Howell). "Thanks to this transportation grant, individuals seeking jobs will be able to take the next step after applying for a position; getting to their interview and accepting a job offer."

"The grant recently awarded to Livingston County's Michigan Works! is great news for many Livingston County residents," Rep. Joe Hune (R-Fowlerville) said. "Costs associated with obtaining needed transportation often present a hurdle for job seekers which may be difficult to overcome."

The Transportation to Work grants provide funding to improve regional transportation systems, improving access to job-related activities for people who might not have access to other transportation, such as their own car. The program's long-term goal is to promote the development of a self-sustaining regional transportation system that will provide all individuals with the ability to commute to any job or employment-related opportunities in the vicinity.

"In these difficult budget times, we are especially fortunate to have these state funds directed to the needs of Livingston County's job seekers," said Chris Ward (R-Brighton) "These dollars will go a long way in providing residents with access to available jobs."

These funds are provided in partnership with the Michigan Department of Transportation and the Family Independence Agency. The Michigan Department of Career Development is the state government agency charged with providing the skilled workforce Michigan needs to enhance and maintain its economy.